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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB, PINS, ET

SUBJECT: CELU DEVELOPMENTS

REF: A. ADDIS ABABA 6056; B. ADDIS ABABA 6067

1. DURING MORNING OF 23 MAY CONSOFF MET PETROS MEHARI, SEC GEN OF NORTHERN REGION OF CELU, IN ASMARA CELU OFFICES. DURING COURSE OF MEETING THEY WERE JOINED BY GAIM TEKIE, FEDERATION OF EMPLOYERS OF ETHIOPIA (FEE) (ASMARA BRANCH).

2. PETROS SAID THAT HE WAS DISTURBED OVER CLOSURE OF CELU HDQTRS AND BELIEVED SOME OF THE UNION MEMBERS ALSO RESENTED THE CLOSURE. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT EXPECT ANY OUTWARD MANIFESTATION OF THIS RESENTMENT, SINCE ANY SUCH DEMONSTRATOR COULD BE LOCKED UP INDEFINITELY UNDER MARTIAL LAW IN EFFECT IN ERITREA. PETROS HAS ADOPTED A CALM WAIT AND SEE ATTITUDE TOWARD HIS FUTURE, AS WELL AS THAT OF CELU.

3. GAIM TEKIE EXPRESSED GUARDED OPTIMISM THAT FEE WOULD HAVE A ROLE IN A SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA, IN WHICH MOST INDUSTRIES ARE NATIONALIZED. HE USED AS AN EXAMPLE TANZANIA, WHERE AN ORGANIZATION COMPARABLE TO FEE CONTINUES TO FUNCTION.

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